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OTTAWA—Canadian grain authorities had sympathetic understanding of a United States wheat shipment problem but had every hope the Dominion would avoid similar difficulties when the 1944 crop marketing begins.

As Kansas City grain buyers and traders have been conferring with federal and army officials seeking to ease the United States problem in which the main difficulty was a shortage of labor to unload cars at terminals throughout Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, where 22,000,000 bushels are estimated to be planted this year.

In Canada, officials were confident that the end of the crop year on July 31 would see the Dominion's grain handling program much improved over 1943.

Western country elevators on July 3 had sent 134,000,000 bushels of wheat compared with 22,000,000 on July 1 last year. This meant that the first step in the movement of grain to market—the shipment from grain field to country elevator—would be easier than in 1943, when the majority of the crop found many elevators almost filled with old wheat.

The country elevators had about 9,000,000 bushels of oats against 1,000,000 in 1943 and 10,000,000 bushels of barley against 1,000,000.

Unloading of cars at the grain terminal elevators at St. Paul and Port Arthur will be eased by the rate of grain and labor shortage, but the situation has greatly improved this year, according to officials.

The unloading of grain cars from the west at the terminals has been running at the rate of about 2,100 a day, compared with about 600 a day last fall.

## AGREEMENT MADE

Britain And Germany To Repatriate Citizens Who Are Interned

LONDON—Foreign Secretary Eden announced today that Britain and Germany had agreed to repatriate the citizens of both countries who are interned in the British Commonwealth islands detained in the United States and Canada. The agreement also covers German civilians and all German civilians detained in the British Commonwealth islands and German civilians who are interned in the United States and Canada.

Mr. Eden, who said the Swiss government acted as the intermediary, said "from this agreement are expected, on both sides, any person who does not wish to be repatriated, to sign papers where repatriation is considered dangerous to the security of the detaining power, and any person serving sentence in prison for breach of the common law."

This agreement did not apply to military prisoners who are regarded as prisoners of war, he said.

## ADEQUATE DIET

Western Canada Needs Greater Diversification Of Agriculture

KARAKOTO—To help provide an adequate diet for the hungry people of the world, western Canada should have greater diversification of agriculture and more industries for the processing of foods, J. Grant MacKinnon, professor of animal husbandry at the University of Saskatchewan, said here.

Addressing the banquet of the associated committee of rural municipalities and the provincial legislature, Mr. MacKinnon said that while Canada was one of the world's major producers of wheat, it was not one of the world's major producers of meat, milk and other food products. He said that the world's population is expected to reach 2.5 billion by 1950, and that the world's food supply will be inadequate to feed them.

## AIR LOSSES LIGHT

Eight-Teeth Of One Per Cent, First Month Of Invasion

LONDON—The Allies in the first month of the invasion lost 1,281 aircraft, or approximately 15,000 man, according to a report from the British and French navies, and destroyed 1,067 German planes in the air.

The daily loss in the initial stages of the invasion was about one per cent, and for the whole month was about eight-tenths of one per cent.

## SERVICE RESUMED

MONTREAL—Officials of Canadian Pacific and Canadian National telegraphs announced that service for cabin and wireless messages to the ground force overseas will be resumed on May 15, with a few exceptions still barred because of wartime regulations.

## OTTAWA—Loss of the submarine

HEARST—The Canadian government has announced that the submarine H.M.S. *Thetis* was lost in the Atlantic on May 15, 1943. The submarine was commanded by Lt. J. B. Drummond, D.S.M.C., and had a complement of 40.

## The King At French Beachhead



Here King is pictured during recent inspection of the Allied beachhead in France. His companion is Lt.-Col. M. C. Dempsey, commander of the British 2nd Army at Caen.

## NO DELIVERY QUOTA LOST IN TRAINING

Wheat Board Makes Announcement In Reply To Fax And Rye

WASHINGTON—The Canadian wheat board announced today that there will be no delivery quota for wheat or rye during the present crop year.

Old or new crop fax and rye may be marketed by producers in any quantity at any time, providing space is available.

The board also announced that registered and certified seeds of wheat, oats, barley and rye, sealed in one and a half bushel bags, will be exempt from quota regulations.

## GERMAN HUNGER BREEDER

NEW YORK—Nearly 200,000 German children have succumbed to starvation since the beginning of the summer offensive, the BBC said in a broadcast.

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## Talking Over Post-War Financial Problems

During a talk in the luncheon of the monetary conference at Bretton Wood, N.H., in which forty-two United Nations are represented, three financial leaders met for a little chat. Left to right, Hon. J. L. Bailey, Canadian minister of finance, and chairman of the Canadian delegation; Secretary of the U.S. treasury, Henry Morgenthau, Jr.; and Mr. C. D. Clark, chairman of the British delegation and deputy of the President of the Council of Economic Advisors.

The purpose of the monetary conference is to discuss the economic and financial problems which will confront the United Nations in the post-war period.

## "Johnny" Johnson Bags Two More

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## FISH FROM CANADA

More Than 70,000,000 Pounds To Be Shipped To United Nations

OTTAWA—Canada will supply more than 70,000,000 pounds of salted fish, pickled fish and smoked herring tonnage to the United Nations from her 1944 production, the fisheries department announced.

But fish shipments amounted to 35,000,000 pounds in dried weight will be sent to some 30 countries under allocations made by the combined food board.

The 1944 prices will be broadly the same as in 1943 with some minor adjustments between different currencies and grades within currencies, the department said.

Largest salt fish shipment—13,000,000 pounds—has been given United States.

## WORK OF VANDAL

Valuable Leather Cushions Are Shipped In Vancouver Hotel

VANCOUVER—Valuable leather cushions in the lounge of the Vancouver hotel were cut in the latest work of a Vancouver vandal, sought by police for the past four weeks.

Hotel officials told police that three cushions have been stolen within the past two weeks.

Merchants and dealers have all been victims of attacks. Several merchants have threatened to stop selling and some dealers have stopped selling.

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# OIL SHORTAGE IS HAVING AN IMPORTANT EFFECT ON MOBILITY OF GERMAN GROUND FORCES

## Commands "Swansed"

Supreme Headquarters—American air attacks on 40 German oil installations have curtailed the German petroleum production to a point where the shortage is having an important effect on the mobility of Nazi ground forces, a senior U.S. air force officer declared.

The officer said that "cheating" German mobility has been hampered, this officer said.

He said that German air force, the other chief object of United States air attacks in recent months, was decreasing its strength in France. He said the Nazi force had lost more planes than the Germans could replace every month since January.

The exact German air strength in France was not known, he said, but definitely, but the current operation over the Reich is not comparable to the intercession through as recently as January.

In six months, the U.S. strategic air forces have hit 41 oil refineries, 13 synthetic plants and 90 aircraft factories in attacks from Britain and Italy, and recently from France.

The forces have destroyed 8,500 German planes in the air and 540 on the ground. The German loss of 7,655 planes—four German aircraft—amounted to 4.45 per cent of the total German fleet.

Of these 2,339 were four-engine bombers and 1,098 were fighters.

He said that the United States and Britain were in agreement on priorities, regarding the different types of oil facilities attacked. He said that the United States was not willing to be additional attacks on the German fighter plane industry when the bomber industry was being attacked.

He said the big two-way drive against German aircraft factories before the end of May was so effective that the Nazis could not recover from the damage done to their aircraft industry without German air force cooperation.

## French Citizens Murdered By Nazis In Caen

CAEN—One of the last acts of the blood-thirsty Nazis in Caen was the murder of 14 French civilians of the French resistance movement in the town prison.

A British brigadier who is the senior civil affairs officer in Caen said several mass killings had been reported, though not yet confirmed.

He estimated 20,000 civilians not of a normal population of 50,000 left Caen. There are 4,000 to 5,000 refugees embedded down in the Caen area.

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## MIGHT SLIP SHIPS

BALTIMORE—Vice Admiral William D. Leahy, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, today announced that the United States will send some of her surplus Liberty ships to the United Nations at war's end, and that the vessels will be used for humanitarian purposes.

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# ENEMY CLAIMS OF POWERFUL STRATEGIC RESERVES IN THE WEST IS WITHOUT FOUNDATION

## LONDON—German claims of the

existence of powerful strategic reserves in the west are regarded in London as being without foundation.

On the other hand, there is evidence that at least 10 divisions have been moved to the front since the beginning of the invasion.

These, presumably, have replaced German divisions that were sent to the front during the invasion of Normandy and Italy.

Some, like the 10th Panzer division, now operating on the Second Army, were rushed directly from Russia to the western front.

There is in the overall picture of German military strength as seen in London.

Between 60 and 65 divisions are now concentrated in France and the low countries. Of these, nine Panzer divisions have been identified in Normandy.

Some months ago it was believed that had 12 to 20 divisions in Denmark, Norway and the Baltic. At least one, the 20th German air force, has been moved from Denmark to Italy.

Two divisions have been withdrawn from Norway.

Recent figures are, therefore, Denmark four divisions, Norway three, Germany four divisions, to the British, German and Austria one, to the U.S. and the western front, and the Italian theatre, Hungary, the Bal-











